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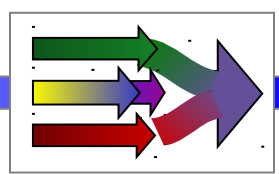
TIWG VTC

18 Mar 02

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Test and Evaluation VTC

Purpose: *To review progress made in Test & Evaluation since the ETIWG*
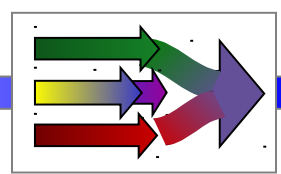
Topics: (1) Metrics Data Collection and Analysis Plan; (2) TEMP; (3) Collection of Baseline Data; (4) Status of Special Interest Items & Open Taskers; (5) Open Discussion; (6) Conclusion

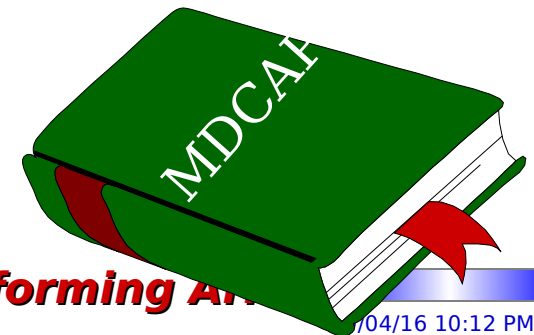**Outcome**: Achieve common understanding of where we are and where we're headed as we prepare for VIOC

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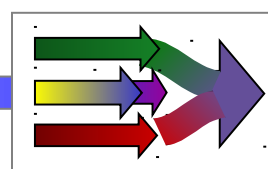# *Metrics Data Collection & Analysis Plan*

➢ **~95 % complete**

- **Some baseline data is collected Jan-Mar 02**
- **Awaiting completion of some ECPs**
- **Serves as the authoritative document for all aspects of data collection**
  - » **Baseline data collection**
    - **36 of 56 metrics will have baselines, remaining 20 metrics are new processes**
  - » **Baseline validation by Independent Evaluators**
  - » **VIOC data collection**
  - » **Establishes method of collection per TIWG, ensuring consistency throughout the VIOC**
- **Posted to the SSF Web Site**
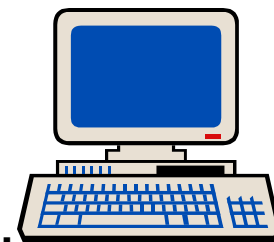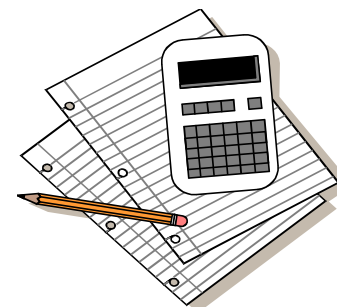- **Will be completed pending the completion of some ECPs**

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Baseline Data

- ➢ **Status of collection effort**
  - – **Finalized list of RICs to be tracked ICW FORSCOM & III Corps**
  - – **Have collected data for 12 RICs being monitored during the VIOC**
    - » **95% of Fort Hood data collected for baseline**
  - – **Need to complete data collection for USARNG & USAR**
    - » **USAR supply data collected; working on collecting financial data**
    - » **Working with National Guard to collect supply and financial data**
  - – **Working to establish completion dates**
  - – **All other data collected**
  - – **Working with Independent Evaluators on setting sample sizes for about 10 metrics that call for sampling; working with AAA Statistician**
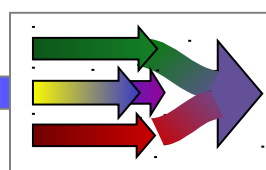- ➢ **Turn data over to Independent Evaluators: Validation effort begins this week**
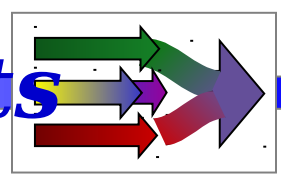 - – **Expected completion date: NLT 1 May 02**

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VIOC RICs

Coordinated w/FORSCOM, III Corps & External Evaluators

MSC/Activity	RIC	Unit
13th COSCOM		
	WJJ	**263rd 64th CSG**
	WGX	**AH FLDNG SPT CONTR (DYN CORP)**
	WHX	**62nd S&S**
1st Cav		
	WGT	**C Co. 27th MSB**
	WGS	**F Co. 227th AVN MSB**
	WJC	**B Co, 115th FWD SPT BN**
4th ID		
	WGW	**704th CS BN Light Maintenance Co**
	WJN	**B Co. 204th CS BN FSB**
USAR		
	WEC	**164th Maintenance Co, Ft Lewis, WA**
USARNG		
	A63	**USPFO**
National Maintenance		
	AF3	**Ft. Hood, National Maintenance**
Installation SARSS-1		
	WBP	**Ft. Hood DOL**

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Mitigate Risk

1 April: Begin practice data pull

- Validate data sources - ensure data availability
- Size the effort: Assess time required to pull data
- Determine most efficient way to pull data
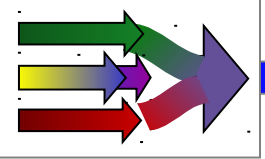- Modify data collection plan as necessary

1 May: Independent Evaluators validate Baseline Data

22 May: Data collector/analyst is integrated into VIOC Support Team at Ft. Hood

1 June: VIOC Starts

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Special Interest Items

#1 Fund Control Workload

Status: Fund controls will not be used during the VIOC at Fort Hood; however, this will be tracked at Ft. Bragg. Mr. L. Johnson is working on other means for tracking at Ft. Bragg.

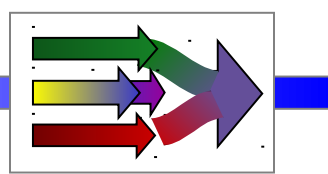**Recommendation:** Remove from Special Interest Item list.

#2 Capitalization Procedures This will be monitored prior to VIOC.

Status: We will check to ensure that double billing does not occur. This will be covered under the Special Interest OMA Buying Power. A list of customer due-out records that were open during capitalization will be provided to the metrics team to ensure double billing does not occur. Cap. Procedures will be modified for subsequent conversion, incorporating lessons learned.

Recommendation: Remove from Special Interest Item list.

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Special Interest Items

#3 SARSS 1 to SARSS 2 Recon (B. Hudson)

Status: Ms. Bev Hudson, PM ALIS will address this issue.

Recommendation: Remove from Special Interest Item; effectiveness will be seen in VIOC materiel readiness metrics
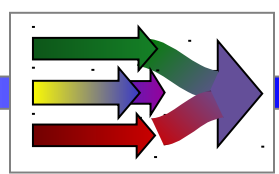
#4 Deployment Operations

Status: 1) All items in progress; meeting planned for April Develop Army-wide deployment Tactics, Techniques, and Procedures (CASCOM). 2) Review of conversion schedule based on deployments (SSF Directorate).

Recommendation: Continue to update. Incorporate deployment guidance into the VIOC Plan and the Implementation Plan (SSF Directorate)

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Special Interest Items

#5 Buying Power Incorporates monitoring customer due-out records from conversion and OPTEMPO

Status: This looks at double billing during the VIOC. It entails a long-term assessment that extends beyond the VIOC and has been captured as a GOWG tasker.

Recommendation: Remove from the Special Item List, since this
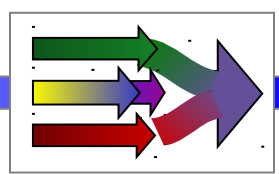
will be reported to the GOWG .

#6 Signal code C&L Evaluate the benefits of implementing C&L-- IMMC and CCSS-F. (POC: DALO-SSF)

Status: Signal codes C&L will not be evaluated during the VIOC, as

there were no benefits identified causing an evaluation

Recommendation: Remove from Special Interest Items.

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Special Interest Items

#7 Catalog Load Dates

Status: Jimmie Brazeal had one meeting in Jan and will follow a DA G-4 meeting at New Cumberland, 26-28 March, to discuss his issue.

Recommendation: Remove from Special Interest Items, since this is listed in the Open Issues and being tracked there. (J. Brazael)
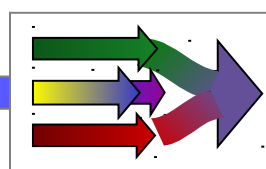
8 Training Program

Status:

Indicated that a test will be developed to measure training effectiveness: basic training course evaluation form similar to last year's to objectively measure attendees' comments on material relevance, graphics, time allotted, instructor knowledge etc. Include a pre- and post-test to cover the following critical areas of instruction: SARSS, Finance Mgt and Maintenance Mgt.

Recommendation: Remove from Special Interest Items when test

is developed. (D. Marr)

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Open Taskers

#1 Issue: MCN requirements must be re-addressed at upcoming Business Rules session (*this comment was taken in June 01*). Key is having more responsive system. Requirement prior to MS 3 conversion is extremely large and cannot be handled under the current system. Process needs to be streamlined.

Status: Detailed procedures were disseminated19 Nov 01 and additional information released on 2 Jan 02, outlining how to obtain NSNs for MCNs demand supported ASL items. SSF will not capitalize MCNs irrespective of the Appropriation Budget Activity Code (ABAC) . For those MCNs that are not assigned NSNs, commands may opt to change the ABAC from "2" to "3" to prevent MCNs from processing through the ISB. Cost transfer is another command option. If the command opts not to free issue, then the item must have a BAC of "2"; if command opts to free issue, then the ABAC must be changed to "3". The ABAC catalog changes can be accomplished at the SARSS-2AC/B. (POC Mel Harris)
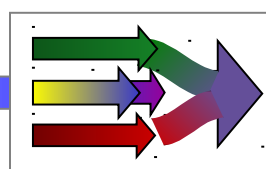
Recommendation: Close.

#2 Issue: ASL review procedures must be published and disseminated. What new products (if any) will AMC bring to the table, and what action will they take after review?

Status: A draft of proposed ASL review procedures has been published and disseminated. (POC: J. Gonzales)

Recommendation: **Close.**

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#3 Issue: Ft. Hood indicated that DS/RX automated capability must be in place to update AEPS & populate the I&S file prior to VIOC. 1) DALO-SSF must complete risk/impact assessment & report out to MACOMs/TIWG. 2) SSF R&A team will inform SSF Director on this & recommend position. 3) FORSCOM must ensure this is a MACOM position.

Status: We have developed an automated process to initially load the MWF (to include subs) via AEPS. Process will be tested in SIT. (POC: C. Morrison)
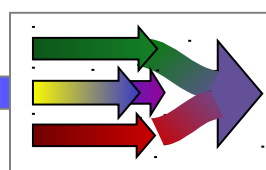
Recommendation: Close**.**

#4 Issue: How will MS 3 DS/RX financial reconciliation be handled? Reconciliations must accurately segregate OMA from AWCF DS/RX obligations (POC DALO-SSF)

Status: Reconciliations will be handled the same as today, and DS/RX is identified by an O&M RIC and DODAAC. Will be conducted during the VIOC to ensure the process functions correctly. (POC: L. Johnson)

Recommendation: Close.

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#5 Issue: DADCSLOG needs to inform the Army that the FEDLOG and catalog synchronization problem is not an issue caused by the implementation of SSF. This was a pre-existing issue due to stabilized credit, which is being worked by ASA(FM&C)/CEAC.

Status: A meeting was held that included all involved in catalog synchronization. A laydown of the current catalog distribution process was presented for each system as a means to understand existing shortcomings. Specific actions items were identified, which will be briefed at the next meeting. A follow-on catalog synchronization meeting is scheduled end of March at New Cumberland. Main topic is feasibility of limiting I&S during the FY. **(**POC:J. Brazeal)
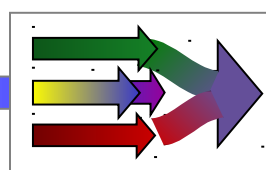
Recommendation: Continue to monitor.

#6 Issue: Enable DS/RX and track through the use of AR_DOC_SUM. Is the remaining functionality in ISB unchanged--if not we have to track to STANFINS?

Status: Verified with DFAS (Beth Moody) that modules of ISB were not changed to accommodate DS/RX. There is an edit process in ISB that checks the F09 & if the RIC in rp 4-6 is O&M & the DODAAC in rp 45-50 is O&M, this transaction is processed as a cost transfer.During SIT and VIOC, we will verify that DS/RX transactions are handled properly by the ISB edit process as verification. (POC: L. Johnson)

Recommendation: Close.

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#7 Issue: Conversion--tracking customer AWCF SARSS-1 dues-out to ensure proper billing of transactions. Evaluate the sufficiency of the tracking process included in middleware.

Status: During the VIOC we will track dues-out to customers based on the file from the conversion team of RON transactions not capitalized. The transactions for DS/RX items will not be tracked, as they are not capitalized. (POC: L. Johnson)

Recommendation: Close.

#8 Issue: ATAV needs to be updated to provide visibility of ASL stockage and repair. Under separate effort, LOGSA has action to identify how and when this process will be enabled. This process needs to be folded into National Visibility criteria.
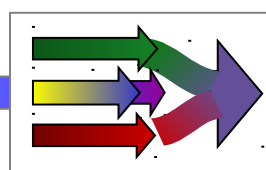
Status: LOGSA stated that TAV would be available before, during and after the VIOC. The current system will be available online during transition to LIDB; after transition to LIDB, ATAV will be available in LIDB. (POC: LOGSA)

Recommendation: Close.

#9 Issue: Number of recommended trans-outs--What is the draft recommendation for how many cycles need to be run per day. Currently Ft. Hood runs at a minimum, 2 each in the a.m. and 2 ea. In the p.m. cycles. Is this acceptable during the VIOC? **OPEN** (POC: DALO-SSF)

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Conclusion

➢ **Still need to complete data collection for USARNG and USAR, but don't foresee any bumps in the road ahead**

➢ **Independent Evaluators scheduled to begin baseline validation 22 March**

➢ **To mitigate risk, R&A Team will do one practice data pull in April**

➢ **...*and* we'll continue to refine Special Interest Items with External Evaluators & continue to work the remaining open taskers**

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